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SUBJECT: DEVELOPMENT IN ITALIAN EMBASSY BODY CASE

REF: SANTIAGO 6703

- 1. EMBASSY HAS COPY OF LETTER ALLEGED TO HAVE BEEN SENT BY NEW MIR (MOVEMENT OF REVOLUTIONARY LEFT) CHIEF ANDRES PASCAL ALLENDE TO ITALIAN CHARGE ON NOV 7. LETTER REFERS TO PRESS REPORTS OF FINDING OF BODY OF LUMI VIDELA MOYA IN ITALIAN EMBASSY (ACTUALLY AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE) GROUNDS ON NOV 3.
- 2. ACCORDING MIR, VIDELA WAS A MEMBER ITS CENTRAL COMMITTEE. SHE WAS ARRESTED BY DINA SEPT 21. ON SAME DAY DINA ALSO ALLEGEDLY ARRESTED HER 5-YEAR-OLD SON AND HER GRANDMOTHER. ON SEPT 22, ACCORDING MIR, VIDELA'S HUSBAND SERGIO PEREZ MOLINA WAS ALSO ARRESTED. LETTER CLAIMS VIDELA "SAVAGELY TORTURED" AND RAPED, AND HUSBAND, SON AND MOTHER TORTURED, AS RESULT OF WHICH HUSBAND DIED. MIR MAINTAINS THAT IN REVENGE AND WARNING TO MIR FOR WOUNDING OF DINA OFFICE IN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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GUNFIGHT IN WHICH MIR LEADER CLAUDIO RODRIGUEZ DIED NOV. 2

(SANTIAGO 6671), DINA KILLED VIDELA AND DUMPED HER BODY IN ITALIAN RESIDENCE EARLY MORNING NOV. 3.

3. COMMENT: LETTER CAME TO US FROM CREDIBLE SOURCE, AND WE INCLINED CONSIDER IT GENUINE MIR DOCUMENT. MIR VERSION OF VIDELA STORY HAS CERTAIN PLAUSIBILITY, GIVEN REPUTATION OF DINA AND COINCIDENCE OF TIMING WITH RODRIGUEZ DEATH. IT IS ALSO IN HANDS OF FOREIGN CORRESPONDENT WHO IS CONTEMPLATING STORY ON IT, WHICH MIGHT WELL BE SEIZED UPON BY INTERNATIONAL CRITICS AS FURTHER EVIDENCE GOC VIOLATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS. POPPER

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